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THE SCHEDULE

When a cluster is formed, it will proceed through its 18 months of study on a logical schedule. As a consequence, students in a cluster may plan for the following program of study:

INTRODUCTION AND THEORY

TERM I	CJ 600	Crime and Justice In North America	(3 credits)
	CJ 601	Criminal Justice Theories and Typologies	(3 credits)

LAW ENFORCEMENT

TERM II	CJ 602	Law Enforcement and Security: Roles and Responsibilities	(3 credits)
	CJ 603	Policy Issues in Crime Control and Constitutional Law	(3 credits)

RESEARCH

TERM III	CJ 604	Research Methods for Criminal Justice	(3 credits)
	CJ 605	Developmental Concepts and Planning	(3 credits)

COURTS

TERM IV	CJ 606	Issues and Trends in Judicial Administration	(3 credits)
	CJ 607	Juvenile Justice	(3 credits)

CORRECTIONS

TERM V	CJ 608	Contemporary Corrections	(3 credits)
	CJ 609	Community Corrections, Probation - Parole	(3 credits)

MANAGEMENT

TERM VI	CJ 610	Organizational Behavior- Management Theory and Personnel Administration in Criminal Justice	(3 credits)
	CJ 611	Advanced Administrative Functions, Managerial Effectiveness and Politics of Criminal Justice	(3 credits)
	CJ 612 and CJ 613	Specialized Projects and/or Readings and/or intern- ship (Flexible Credit for hardship cases.)	(6 credits)

The Masters Essay

In lieu of the Masters Essay, students may opt to take six additional hours of evaluation, research and grantsmanship:

- CJ 616 Program Evaluation and Research
- CJ 617 Proposal Writing and Grantsmanship



NOVA UNIVERSITY MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

A CAREER RELATED PROGRAM

Nova University offers a coordinated program of graduate studies leading to the Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. The Program has been designed primarily for Criminal Justice Personnel, though it is adaptable to the needs of pre-service students as well.

Emphasis is placed on a systems approach to criminal justice, and the program is interdisciplinary in nature. The major objective is to create a program for the exploration of new approaches to the improvement of the criminal justice system.

WEEKEND COURSE SEMINARS

Courses are offered in a series of meetings, every third weekend.

Each study area is designed to be covered in a three-month period. Instruction is conducted in intensive seminars under the direction of the National Lecturer.

LOCAL AND NATIONAL CLUSTERS

Instead of bringing students to courses, Nova University organizes students into regional clusters. Each cluster is made up of about 30 participants. Clusters meet in major cities throughout the nation, where participants develop close relationships to which all contribute and from which all benefit.

CLUSTER COORDINATORS

Every cluster is organized by a coordinator who serves as administrator acting as liaison with the Nova University Central Campus, so as to ensure the efficient operation of the cluster.

NATIONAL FACULTY

Professors with practical experience in the criminal justice system, from all parts of the country, promote and guide discussion in a seminar format. A special effort is made to integrate the practical with the theoretical.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission requirements for the student wishing to matriculate for the Master of Science in Criminal Justice are:

1. A Baccalaureate Degree from an accredited college or university and acceptable grade point average.
2. Three letters of reference (academic or career).

3. A minimum of 18 undergraduate credits in Criminal Justice courses or a related area.*
4. A completed application form accompanied by a \$15 application fee.

*The 18 hour undergraduate requirement may be waived for individuals employed with a criminal justice agency at the time of registration.

MASTERS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

To complete the Master of Science Program in Criminal Justice, a student is required to complete successfully 36 specified credit hours of study. The Masters Essay is required of all students. A student who successfully completes six semester hours of graduate credits each term should be able to satisfy the degree requirements in 18 months.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Students who may be eligible for Veterans Administration benefits are invited to consult the VA counselor at the University. Individuals can also be assisted in applying for low cost Federal Insured Student Loans.

STUDENT COSTS*

Tuition for the Master of Science in Criminal Justice is \$80 per credit hour (\$480 per term). The one time, non-refundable application fee is \$15; and the graduation fee is \$30. There is a \$15.00 non-refundable registration fee each term.

SPECIAL FEES

Split Payment Fee**	\$10.00
Make-up Fee for Incompletes	\$10.00
Transcript of Record	\$ 2.00
Service Charge for Checks with Insufficient Funds	\$ 5.00

*Student costs are subject to change at any time.

**Split fee: Tuition monies paid at the first class of the term and the remaining monies paid at the last class of the term or all tuition paid at the last class will be charged a Split Fee.